

Most of the available skilled workers are white men and most of the available semi-skilled workers are white women. The 1,985 available unskilled workers are about evenly divided four ways between the white men and women and the Negro men and women.

The major portion of the semiskilled workers available have had experience in electronics and furniture and some have had experience in food processing, apparel, and lumber. More skilled workers have had experience in textiles and hosiery than in any other type of work.

Table 3: EXPERIENCED WORKERS

| By Industry | Skilled | Semiskilled |
|--------------------------|---------|-------------|
| Electronics, Furniture | 5 | 225 |
| Textiles, Hosiery | 30 | 120 |
| Food Processing, Apparel | 0 | 90 |
| Lumber, wood | 10 | 90 |

As another indication of the labor resources available in Sanford, it should be noted that each year approximately 380 high school graduates enter the labor market within a 20-mile radius of Sanford. It is estimated that about 290 of these graduates would normally be available for jobs in Sanford.

Not only do many of the underemployed, particularly the unemployed, move from areas of relatively few employment opportunities to areas with more job opportunities, many of these people without adequate employment locally continue to live in the same area while commuting to employment elsewhere.

OUT-OF-COUNTY EMPLOYMENT

A substantial portion of the employed residents of both Sanford and Lee County work out-of-county. When the census was taken in 1960, seven percent (353 people) of the 4,957 employed Sanford residents and almost eight percent (765 people) of the 9,921 employed Lee County residents worked out-of-county.

Out-of-county employment can and does work both ways. There are residents of other counties who work in Lee County. In 1960, there were 1,726 people working in Lee County who resided in some other county. For every Lee County resident working out-of-county, there are more than two people from some other county working in Lee County.

Such a one-sided exchange means that the economy in Lee County is supporting more people than the total number of employed residents in the county. When the 765 out-workers are taken from the 9,921 employed residents and the 1,726 in-workers are added to this figure, it becomes obvious that the economy of Lee County is supporting almost 11 thousand workers.

As Map 3 indicates, Greenwood and Deep River townships have the greatest proportion of their employed workers employed out-of-county. Since Jonesboro and West Sanford townships have the most workers and a fairly high proportion working out-of-county, half of the 765 out-of-county workers live in these two townships.

Most of the Lee County residents working outside the county are employed in Chatham, Cumberland, Wake and Moore counties. The out-